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New presidency of San Mateo Stake (l. to r.) WILBUR E. MOULTON, clerk; EDWARD L. HOWARD Jr., 1st counselor; President CLIFTON D. BOYACK, and JOSEPH M. MILNE, 2d counselor.

San Mateo Stake

## Presidency Reorganized

By S. W. Taylor

Under direction of Elder LeGrand Richards of the Council of the Twelve, the presidency of San Mateo Stake was reorganized at the quarterly stake conference Sunday, March 7, at San Mateo.

Sustained as stake president was Clifton D. Boyack, with Edward L. Howard, Jr., 1st counselor, and Joseph M. Milne as 2d counselor. Wilbur E. Moulton remains as stake clerk.

Released were President Richard I. Palmer and his 2d counselor, Frank A. Martin. President Martin was sustained as patriarch of the stake at the conference. President Edward L. Howard, 1st counselor of the previous presidency, was sustained in the same position in the new one.

President Boyack is assistant superintendent of schools at South San Francisco and formerly was president of the Church College of New Zealand. He was born at Spanish Fork, Utah, Oct. 12, 1911, and married the former Grace Richards of Salt Lake City at the Salt Lake Temple in 1939. He obtained his A. B. degree at Brigham Young University and his M. A. and Ed. D. degrees at the University of California.

He has an impressive record of Church activity, dating from when he became YMMIA president at 19. At the time of being called to the stake presidency, he was a member of the San Mateo Stake high council.

He and Mrs. Boyack reside at San Carlos. They have four children, Mrs. Sheldon H. Dahl of Salt Lake City, Cliften, LeRoy Richards, and Margary Lynne.

S.F. Stake

## Singing Mothers Planning Concert

By Jean Lauper

The last weekend in April will be an exciting one for two San Francisco Stake organizations. Friday, April 30, the Relief Society will present its 50-voice chorus of Singing Mothers in a spring concert. Saturday, May 1, the M.I.A. will hold its stake dance festival.

Theme of the Singing Mothers' concert will be IT'S A WONDERFUL WORLD.

Guest artists will be folk singers Eddie Krieger, Steve and Noel Luke (who accompany themselves on their guitars); Dale Blackburn, tenor soloist, and Marion Redd, reader.

The concert will begin at 8:15 in the Sunset-Balboa chapel. There is no admitance charge and refreshments will be served following the concert. Jean Lauper is director with Donna Burdette, Jean Glausi and Mable George accompanists.

Winning quartets of San Francisco Stake MIA's Music Quartet Festival, held at the Stake Center, 1399 Brunswick, Daly City Feb. 27, under the direction of Sheila Townsley, chairman, and member of the stake MIA board. Winners are: Women's senior Division—The Truenotes from S.F. Ward (C. Brady, P. Chiara, M. Karlsen, T. Rees); Men's Senior Division—From Sunset Ward (M. Burdett, P. Fuhriman, L. Luke, L. Smith); Mixed Senior Division—The Checkmates from S.F. Ward (T. Rees, R. Smith, R. Kimball, J. Weaver); Girl's Junior Division—The Melotones from Sunset Ward (M. Aaron, E. Bower, D. Hanson, J. Johnson); Boy's Junior Division—From Balboa II Ward (L. Dillander, R. Dillander, R. Kenner, D. Yount). These quartets represented the stake March 13 at the division festival at Palo Alto Stake Center.

Al Herrington was master of ceremonies.

## Sterling W. Sill At Concord Stake Conference

By Norma Smead

"Develop homes that could compare to those 'good old-fashioned homes we remember so fondly," Elder R. S. Summerhays of the Priesthood Home Teaching committee admonished the Concord Stake conference at the East Bay Interstake Center, Oakland, March 21.

Elder Sterling W. Sill, member of the Council of the Twelve, who presided at the conference, addressed morning and afternoon sessions, spoke about talents, how everyone is superior to someone in some respect, but each has his own talent.

"We can't go through the Scriptures and tear out those that do not apply because we don't obey the law of the Scripture," he warned. "How much is it worth to live in the Celestial Kingdom? What is it worth to be dressed in a most beautiful body?"

Sister Alice C. Smith of the Relief Society General Board told the audience that one's life "does not consist of what you posses, but of God, neighbors, and self."

Stake President Ted Eugene Madsen conducted the conference and addressed the morning session.

**As we are about to go to press comes distressing word that Sister Helen (Nell) Smith, associate editor and faithful correspondent, publicist for Education Week, the Oakland Temple open-house, and many other. Church. activities, was about to enter the hospital for some five days of exploratory tests. Her associates on The Messenger of Northern California join her other close friends in prayers for her welfare.**

## Hayward Stake Hears A. B. Smith

Two prominent leaders of The Church were featured speakers at the quarterly conference of Hayward Stake Saturday and sunday, March 13 and 14, in Oakland.

The are Alfred B. Smith of the General Welfare Committee and Thelma B. deJong of the Primary General Board.

General sessions of the conference were held Sunday at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the Interstake Center, conducted by Stake President Francis Benjamin Winkel, 188 Pickering Avenue, Fremont.

Elder Smith, a native of Great Britain, has been active in Church capacities. He is manager of Utah Wholesale Grocery Company and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club.

Mrs. deJong has been an officer and teacher in several Church auxiliary organizations. A graduate of Southern Iraho College of Education, she has earned a master's degree from Brigham Young University. She has been a teacher in high schools and at BYU.

## Milton R. Hunter Presides At S.F.

Elder Milton R. Hunter of the First Council o fSeventy presided at a quarterly conference of the San Francisco Stake, Saturday and Sunday, March 20 and 21, in Daly City.

Also attending were M. Elmer Christensen of the Priesthood Home Teachnig Committee and Elna P. Haymond of the Relief Society General Board.

General sessions of the conference were held Sunday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the San Francisco Stake Center, 1399 Brunswick, conducted by Stake President Irven Glade Derrick, 408 Skyline Drive.

Elder Hunter is a widely-known author and former educator. He was principal of public schools, then taught in seminaries and institutes for the Church.

## Oakland-Berkeley Stake Speech Fest

By Steve A. Kovacich

Oakland Berkeley Stake annual speech festival was held at the concluding session of the quarterly stake conference Feb. 7. John Woodard conducted the meeting and Steve Kovacich commented on the importance of speech in the lives of youth.

Representatives from the wards included Laurie Lincoln (Beehive), Oakland 4th Ward; Miller Soliai (Scout), Oakland 3d Ward; Marilyn Lanlois (Mia Maid) Berkeley 2d Ward; Nancy Owen (Laurel) Berkeley 1st and Claremont Wards: Joyce Lane (Laurel), Alameda Ward; Janna Jensen (Gleaner), Oakland Ward; Rocela Yamzon (Gleaner), Richmond Ward; and Julie Edrington (Gleaner), University Ward.

Hayward Stake

## Dance Festival Rehearsals Start

These young people from Hayward Stake have been working overtime to help teach Dance Festival dances to other young people who will perform in Hayward Stake Dance Festival at 7:30 p.m. May 1 in the Interstake Center. Stake dance directors Lloyd and Aleda Silva saw the need for a group of skilled and accomplished dancers to help them teach the festival dances to members throughout the stake and these youngsters willingly answered the call and have spent countless hours working with others.

There will be eleven dances presented at the Hayward Stake Festival, including ballroom, square, folk and one exciting polka designed by the Silvas. The dancers will be in a variety of costumes, all carrying out the theme "Youth and the Night and the Music." There will also be some individual special numbers.

The Northern California Area Dance Festival will be held at 8 p.m. May 8 at the University of the Pacific Stadium in Stockton, where more than 3000 youth will perform nine dances from ballroom to folk dances, all in matching costumes.

At General Conference (June 18-19) many of these youngsters will dance again in Salt Lake City. Hayward Stake will send from 8 to 12 couples to this festival. They are busily working on fundraising projects to help pay their expenses to these latter two as well as working on the dances.

Young people pictured are l. to r. DARLENE PETERSEN, DAVE WILKINS, RON PRICE, BRIAN BODILY, LINDA LLOYD, and standing, LYNDA CAZIER.

## 'Sun Never Sets' On DeCelles

**"The sun never sets on the family of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. DeCelle" of Alameda Ward, in the words of the Alameda Times Star.**

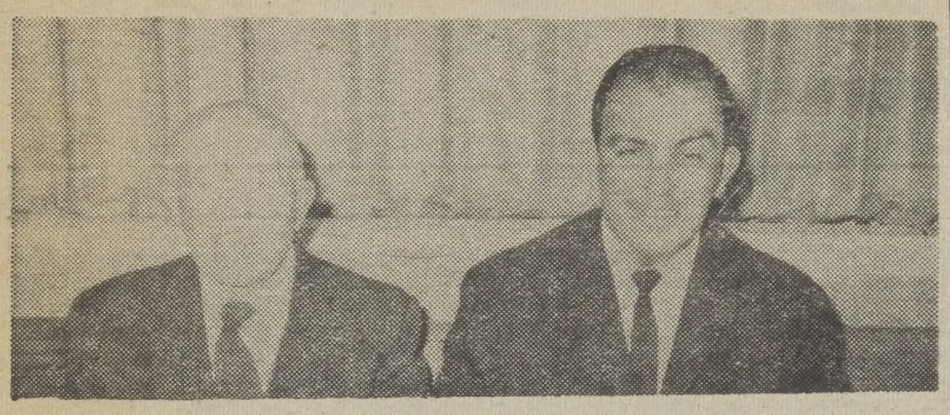
**Daughter Karen, 20, and 150 other BYU students are helping establish a pilot campus of Brigham Young University at Salzburg University, the newspaper reports. She is in her third year at "The Y" after graduation from Alameda high school. She planned to tour Vienna last month and Italy this month.**

**Her brother Robert DeCelle II recently departed for work in the Far East Mission of the Church.**

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Mission Ward

## New Counselors Named



**Left to right, Iving Y. Bigelow, 1st counselor, and Nelson F. Martinez, 2d counselor, who replace Donald B. Shipp and Laron A. Johnson who moved out of the ward. Their names were presented at the Fast and Testimony meeting March 7.**

**The new 1st counselor, Iving Y. Bigelow, has been a high priest for 10 years. He and his wife Ida have been active in the Church all their lives. He is 77 years old. In Mission Ward, he has been active in many positions, especially those connected with Scouting. (He is a Silver Beaver in the Scouts.) At the time of his release, he held the position of general secretary in the Aaronic-Youth. Ida is the Relief Society secretary. They are grandparents.**

**The new 2d counselor, Nelson F. Martinez, was ordained a high priest March 8. He served a 2½ year mission in Brazil, where he met his wife Marie Marisa Martinez, a convert. After his mission, they married in the Temple and became parents of a boy, Mark K. Martinez, January 5,1964. By a strange coincidence, all three of their birthdays fall in the month of January. He was Sunday School superintendent before his new calling.**

Also on March 7 Elder Robert E. Lee was sustained by the members of the 4th Quorum of Elders, as the 2d counselor to quorum president Andrew Roesberry.

On March 6, ward member Alma Louise Munger, 8, was baptized by her grandfather, Virgil P. Swenson, and confirmed March 7, at the Fast and Testimony meeting, by Walter E. Pietsch.

The MIA held a music festival Feb. 24. The winning quartet represented the ward in the Stake Festival held Feb. 27.

The festival started with the "Primary Maids" singing group, LaDonna Willis, Cynthia and Ramona Calbillo, Patricia Draper, Deborah Butcher and Cynthia Libby. Next came "The Scouters" singers, Donald Thomsen, Van Close, Fred Cox, Donald Cox, and Kenneth Collins. Following them were "The Merry Melodies," Lautolo Fau, Melanie Jackson, Mary Ann Poulis, and Melodye Yost.

Final singers, and festival winners, were "The Mothers 4," Sonja Taylor, Karen Lee, Marisa Martinez, and Eldina Parker. Their renditions of "Taste of Honey" and "Moon River" carried them into the stake music festival, where they took 4th place in the women's senior division. After the festival, refreshments were served by Eleanor Laws and Leonie Platt.

Former ward member, James Leo Zimmerman, 19, has returned after completing his enlistment term in the army.

James Johnson, Jr. was sustained Feb. 14 as the adviser to the deacons quorum; Jorn L. Fletcher was sustained as the 2d assistant in the Sunday School superintendency, and Donna M. Abrams was sustained as the co-ordinator of the Junior Sunday School.

March was a busy month for ward members. On the 4th the first ward group excursion to the new Oakland Temple was made. On the 19th a special Talent Night was held, with singers, dancers, and other entertainers participating. Finally, on the 24th, many ward members attended the special showing of the new Cinerama picture, "The Greatest Story Ever Told," sponsored by San Francisco stake as a fund-raising event.

Mission Ward's choir is keeping busy this year. On Sunday, February 28th, it convened in the chapel at 10:30 a.m. for practice; visited and sang at Bay Ward's services; returned to the chapel in the afternoon for more practice, and then sang at the ward's evening services. Members of the choir, beginning with Sheila Townsley and her husband, Aleck, were then called upon to speak at the meeting.

The choir, as in other years, will provide special music for Easter Sunday services.

Mission Ward members, with the rest of the Stake, look forward in 1965 to many special Mutual events, including another Road Show in the summer, and a special event in May.

Newark Ward

## Gala Program Welcomes Spring

**By Barbara Hoskin**

Spring was welcomed in fine fashion by members of Newark Ward's Relief Society and their husbands at the gala birthday held last month.

Preparations were made by President Janice Carlile and her counselors Leah McLaughlin and Ralene Wilson. All members of the Relief Society contributed ideas, labor, and food for the dinner.

No mistake could be made on the theme of the decor. Valiera James and her committee saw to that with freshly picked daffodils and a spring evening atmosphere.

The program, narrated by Marian Eatchel, was a "Salute to George Gershwin". Gwen Crandall and Emma Stam sang many of his memorable songs including "Someone To Watch Over Me" and "Summertime". Norma Pittson and Maxine Ivie played solo piano compositions of "Rhapsody in Blue" and "An American in Paris.

## 'Special Event' On Interstake Organ

**By Frances S. Beniams**

Virgil Fox, organ virtuoso known worldwide in music circles, has been contracted for a recital on our great Interstake Center organ.

Donation Tickets are being offered through stake presidents and ward bishoprics. Before tickets are released to the general public, April 15, members may obtain them through their music directors or bishops. The amount suggested is $2. There be only 50 tickets available for each ward. Each ward is allowed to deduct for its own music or organ funds 50c for each ticket sold.

Fox was proclaimed a genius at seventeen. He has proved that organ recitals need not be dull. His hands and feet respond with automatic and superfast sureness which audiences must see to believe. His memory contains more than 200 pieces. He has given recitals on practically every famous organ in the world and is the only non-German to have played a recital at the Thomaskirche in Leipzig, Germany, where Johan Sebastian Bach was organist. They called him an "unsurpassed virtuoso, whose performances are impeccably clear, virile, and gripping. Understanding the innermost secrets of the composer's intentions, he is able to show it to others, and thrillingly." May 14,—a Friday night, at 8:00 p.m.

VIRGIL FOX

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## Temple Bride Writes To President Wright

By Nell Smith

This letter was received by the Oakland Temple presidency after the marriage of Maureen Louise House and Gordon Marce Cochran of Corvallis, Ore. Temple President Delbert F. Wright officiated at the ceremony Jan. 26.

Sister Cochran heads her letter with, "and this is life eternal" and continues:

"Since my husband and I were the only members of the Church on both sides of our family, we were very thrilled to be able to be married in the House of the Lord, His Holy Temple.

"From far-away across Oakland we could see the spires of the Temple in the sunlight. Since I was the only bride that day and all "alone", the workers in the Temple became my "mothers" and much attention was given me.

"The Temple is beautiful beyond description, with everyone dressed in pure white it seemed we were in a different world. The bride's room looked like the Queen of England's room and it gave me the important feeling of being a Queen for a day.

"The whole Temple just made one feel so uplifted and yet so humble. And the most beautiful thing of all was the marriage ceremony.

"It was such a new and incomprehensible experience that my husband and I returned in March, at much financial sacrifice to partake of the Lord's blessings again.

"Oh, sisters, don't ever be married, even for a day, without going to the Temple. It's an experience and a blessing to do it right the first time."

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Oakland 4th Ward

## Jill Dysart Steps 'Down' After 7 Yrs.

By Marjorie Hawkins

After serving nearly seven years, Jill Dysart was released as president of the Relief Society. Margaret Wright was sustained as new president with Marion Comstock and Beverly Porter as counselors and Lela Roe as secretary. Jill is the literary leader. A party was held March 16, commemorating the birthday of Relief Society with a luncheon and program. Myrtle Famariss brought special talent from various stakes, and all past presidents of our ward attended.

They and those o nthe program were honored with corsages. Eudora Morgan read an original poem honoring Sister Dysart as well as the Relief Society.

Our junior volleyball team represented our stake in the regional playoff at the Interstake Center March 20 .

Thomas A. Dysart has returned from his mission to England. Tom was the main speaker at Sacrameent meeting March 28, and we enjoyed hearing some of his experiences in England .

The Scouts participated in a training session at Los Moches over the weekend of March 12 and 13. Jonathan Allen, Gerald Bybee, Curtis Price and Randy Stein acted as instructors o fthe knife and ax demonstration. Our "Barbarian" Patrol is under leadership of Bob Stein, Scoutmaster.

New officers for 1965 were elected recently at Golden Gleaners' first meeting, where a book review of "A Gift From The Sea" was given by Mona Jo Ellsworth. Officers are: Marilyn Ashby, president, Sarah Fernsten, vice president, Myrtle Snarr, secretary, Marjorie Hawkins, historian. Program committee comprises, Margaret Barfus, Naomi Wilson and Jean Davis. All Golden Gleaners and Master M. Men in the area are invited to the dinner dance to be held at Oakland 4th Ward April 24. Tickets at $2.25 a person may be obtained from the Golden Gleaner representative in your ward. Further information may be had by calling any of the above mentioned officers. Four more events have been planned for the Oakland-Berkeley group, but the dinner-dance is a combined event for San Leandro and Hayward Stakes.


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Presentation of the Eagle Scout Award to PAUL RICKS by VICTOR LINDBLAD, long time member of Berkeley 2d Ward and retired Scout Executive. Standing with Paul are his mother, JANE, and his father, DR. MARC RICKS.

Castro Valley Ward

## Eighteen In Project Temple

By Edna Wood

Project Temple has been an inspiring experience in Castro Valley Ward. Nine couples attended. Five were made elders—Albert Griggs, Ray Workman, Joseph Papa, Ruel Halladay, and Ronald Ratliff. They plan to be married in the Temple soon. Leonard D. Phister also has been made an elder.

Braden Shawn Cook and Michael Dennis Boerner were baptized last month.

Two yong men have been made Eagle Scouts—Philroy Brown Jr., 16. a priest who has earned his Duty to God Award, and Fullmer H. Later III, a teacher. They received their awards at the Redwood District Court of Honor at Cactro Valley March 17. They are members of Troop 718 and are the first to earn Eagle rank since Castro Valley 1st Ward was formed.

Brenda Rosenkranz, daughter of Sister Edythe Hendricks, has been called to labor as a missionary in Texas. She is a graduate of Castro Valley high school, has had two years at BYU, and is now attending California State College. A missionary farewell for her is scheduled for April 11.

Oakgrove Ward

## MIA Sponsors 'Era' Dinner

By Ray Piercy Jr.

The MIA sponsored an Era dinner in connection with the Drama festival. For $5.00 each family received a year's subscription to the Era and a spaghetti dinner. After the dinner a one-act play, "Courtin' Time" was presented. The play, directed by Nancy Armour, starred Sandi Hatch, Mary Spencer, Warren Smith, Barry Derr and Steve Fox.

The bishop is sponsoring a 100% contest. They have promised to take out to dinner all the young people ages 12 to 19 who atend 100% of their Church meetings in February, March and April. Twenty-three girls achieved this goal in February.

## Checketts Retire, Head For Utah

Hazen and LaRue Checketts, moving in April to Utah, were honored at an open house March 14 at the home of Jim Turner, 2295 Romey Lane, Hayward. Hostesses were Sisters Dorothy Turner and Jackie Stock.

The Checketts have lived in Hayward for 32 years, since before Hayward was made a ward. Hazen is retired from Holly Sugar, where he worked for 20 years. LaRue is retired from Crocker-Citizens bank. They will make their home in Providence, near Logan.

**The CAROLE SMITH SNOW scholarship foundation has been established at BYU by her many friends, especially owners and employees of P & X Markets.**

**The scholarship is a perpetual foundation and a living memorial to her name.**

**..Carole graduated from Napa High School in 1962 and attended BYU in 1962-63-64. Her husband, Val (Lawrence Vallette Snow II) and her brother Bob, are both currently attending BYU. Her parents, Jay and Venice Smith reside in Walnut Creek and are members of Oakgrove Ward.**

Claremont Ward

## Elders Combine Work And Social

By Betty Moss

The Fourth Quorum of Elders held a work-day and social Saturday, March 20. The elders took part in a weed-pulling and fence-painting project during the day. In the evening, the elders and their wives gathered at the home of Richard Weech for the beginning course of a progressive dinner. Other homes visited during the night were those of Dale Cram, Stan Corbridge, Norris Finlayson, and Marvin Moss.

The Relief Society held its birthday luncheon March 15. The ladies enjoyed the treat of one of Eva Harker's special book reviews: "Grandma Called it Carnal. Mary Finlayson sang several lullabyes. Geneva Hess and several other ladies prepared and served luncheon.

On March 5 the ward dinner was held under the direction of the Sunday School. The Relief Society held a bake sale and displayed bazaar items. Afterward slides of the World's Fair exhibit of the Church were shown.


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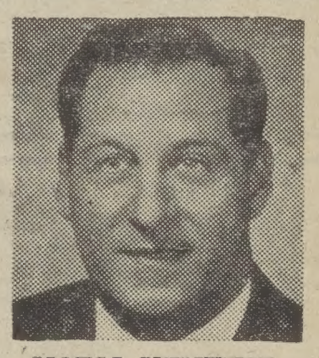

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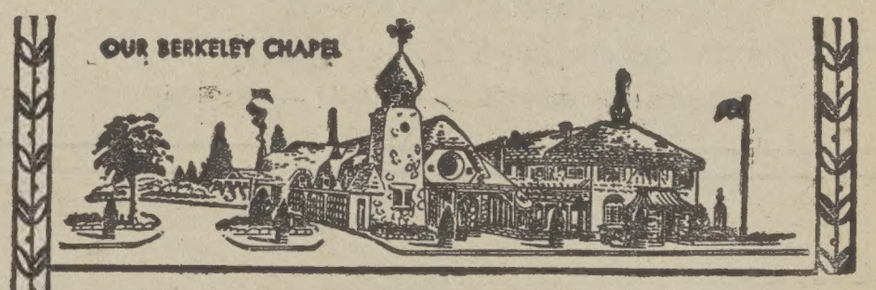


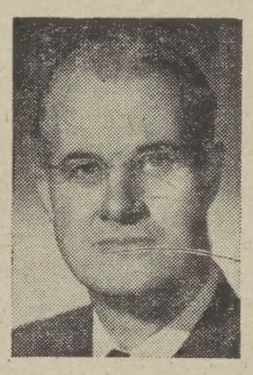

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Berkeley 2d Ward

## Thirty Prepare For Temple Work

By Marilla Bodily

Berkeley 2d Ward Project Temple has 30 people in regular attendance each Thursday evening in the ward Relief Society parlor. In charge is Wesley Turner, assisted by Kumen Smith and Don Corbitt. There are lessons, music and refreshments for new and old members who have not had the opportunity of going through the Temple, preparing them for these ordinances. Two couples from the University Ward also attend.

A Court of Honor Feb. 14 included presentation of awards as follows: Tenderfoot to Don Owen, Steven Jacobsen, and Cal Smith; Second Class to Tom Cain, Don Fullmer, Allen Taufer, Philip Bean, and William Baer; First Class to Stephen Ricks and Kevin Flam; Star to Brian Hellwig and David Kuhre; Life to John Woolf and a Bronze Palm to John Balmforth.

Then the Eagle Court was opened by Victor Lindblad, who made the presentation and gave the charge to Paul Ricks, son of Dr. and Mrs. Marc Ricks. This is the second son for Victor to so honor.

Ned Clyde representing the bishopric presented the ring from the ward. Music was presented by three scouts: Tom Cain, Brian Hellwig, and Dan Owen playing trumpets. The latter two concluded the program with Taps.

Madelyn Forrester and Bishop Ward Green are both recovering from surgery. Nellie Lyon reports that her son Troy in the service in Germany, is greatly improveed.

A report was made by returning missionary Ronald Nuzmann of the Texas Mission. He will go to Brigham Young University to school. Ronald will have been a member for three years this May.

## Horace W. Burgon

Horace William Burgon, 76, retired school teacher, died recently in a Richmond hospital.

Services were conducted in the Richmond Ward Chapel by Bishop Earl L. Amtoft. Opening prayer was given by Elder James Gain. Speakers included Bishop Amtoft, Clinton Esperson, Harold DeLaMare, Sister Barber, Don E. Wood and Elmo R. Smith. Vocal solos were by Alaine Wightman and James Adams, accompanied by Frances Mahoney. Benediction was given by Timothy Morley. Surviving are his widow Mary Alice Burgon; two daughters, Mrs. Azalia Henderson of Milwaukee, Wisc., and Mrs. Carol Brimhall of Midvale, Utah; two sons, Horace B. Burgon of Salt Lake City, and Dean G. Burgon of Edgewood, Nevada; three brothers, Heber J., Charles, and Albert Burgon all of Union, Utah; 14 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

A graduate of University of Utah, Brother Burgon, a native of Union, Utah, in 1949 moved to California after 30 years of active teaching. He taught at Pleasant Grove, Butler, Midvale, and Sanday, Utah. He became principal of the elementary school at Union, Utah.

Brother and Sister Burgon were Temple workers in the Salt Lake Temple as well as the Oakland Temple.

Alameda Ward

## Missionary Work, Changes Told

By Lue Seavers & Violet Pinckney

ELDER RICHARD WILLIAMS in Alberta, Calgary, Canada, reports he is feeling well again and is enjoying working with the people there and that his testimony is growing all the time. They are allowed a couple of hours a week for tobagganing and basketball playing which helps to get ready for another busy week.

NICKY PAPPAS, enjoying his mission in Denver, Col., says he used to attend meetings because he had to, but after being in the mission field it is a different story; his testimony is strengthened every day. The only thing he misses is girls and he'd like to hear from some of them.

ELDER ALLEN BUSKIRK has now completed half his mission. He reports enthusiastically on his new "transfer" to the Mission Home at Geneva, where he is in charge of publications. Elder Buskirk's new companion is the only full-time missionary from France.

ELDER ROBERT DE CELLE II, reporting from Sapporo, Hokkaido, Japan, indicates that he is not yet used to the extreme cold (10 degrees). He was unnerved by a recent experience in a Japanese home when he was asked to give the prayer (in Japanese) and through the prayer the woman in the family kept laughing. He found later from his more experienced companion that this is a common occurance. To quote him, "Missionaries must have nerves of steel out here."

## Berg-Mahaffey

Announcing their engagement recently at a family gathering in Richmond were Janet Lucille Berg and Roger Frank Mahaffey.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Don Berg of Richmond and a member of Richmond Ward. Preparations are being made for a May 15 wedding in the ward chapel. The young people plan to make their home in San Jose.

Janet is a graduate of Harry Ells high school, has attended BYU, and has been affiliated with Horizon Club and Richmond Bethel 14, International Order of Job's Daughters.

Roger is the son of Thomas Frank Mahaffey of San Jose and the late Lola Mahaffey. He is a veteran of the army and is employed by the telephone company in San Jose. He was educated at Campbell high school and San Jose City College.

## Janice Louise Riddle

Richmond Ward was saddened by news of the accidental death of Janice Louise Riddle in Vienna March 13.

Janice and her roommate, Audrie Undermann, 20, of Orem, Utah, were students in Salzburg under the BYU "semester abroad" program. American friends in Vienna gave them keys to their apartment. After failing to reach the girls by phone, the apartment owners went to the flat and smelled gas through the locked door. Police and firemen broke through and discovered the girls dead in bed.

Apparently, the students had returned from the opera, cooked some hot chocolate and turned all the stove knobs "off." Inadvertently, they turned the grill knob "on" and gas escaped through the unlit pilot light in the oven.

Janice was the daughter of Merwyn and Frances Riddle of 4355 Hermosa Way, Salt Lake City, Utah, former members of East Richmond Ward where Brother Riddle was a member of the bishopric.

**JANINE MUSSER, daughter of Brother and Sister Barr Musser of Clayton Valley Ward, currently laboring in Hong Kong, China. Janine left for the Northern Far East Mission last November. Tape recordings received recently by her parents show she is an able speaker in Chinese and an enthusiastic missionary.**


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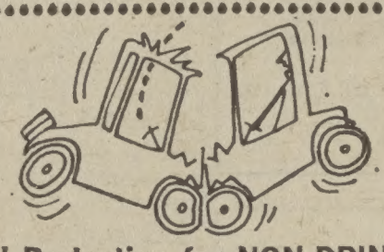
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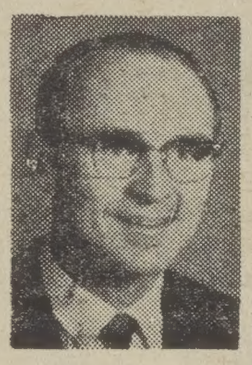
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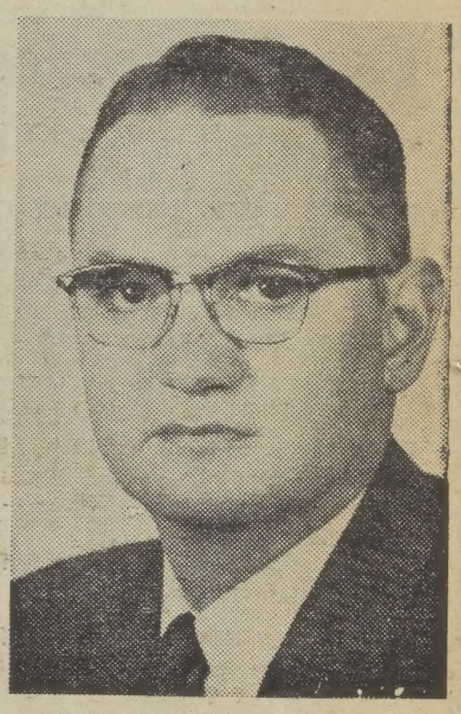

## Missionary Parents Schedule Meetings

By Marjorie Simard

Missionary parents of Hayward Ward have planned a once-a-month get-together at the cultural hall to share experiences and joys of having family members in the mission field.

The first meeting, under the direction of Bishop Bernard Stewart and his wife Madge, was held March 19. The Stewarts and the Simards presented a short program on the Northern Far East Mission. There were refreshments.

On alternate months the invitation will be extended to all missionary families in the stake. A different part of the world will be highlighted each month.

## Mission Call For Sandy Harward

By Marjorie Simard

Elder Leland "Sandy" Harward, Irvington 2d ward, called to the Northeast British Mission, was honored Feb. 28 by a farewell testimonial presided over by Bishop Calvin Jibson at the Centerville Chapel. Speakers included Sandy's grandfahter, G. Sanford Pincock of Rexburg, Idaho, his parents Phyllis and Leland Harward. Special music on the piano was played by Nancy Smith. Prayers were offered by Elders Kenneth Alderman and Arthur Clauson.

Sandy reported to the mission home in Salt Lake City March 15 and after a week's study there flew to England, where his address will be "Rossett Green," Rossett Green Lane, Harrogate, Yorkshire, England.

A graduate of Irvington high school in 1963, Sandy lettered in basketball and football and this year played on the senior all-star team in the Church league for Hayward Stake.

Hayward Stake was represented by three fine quartets in the Area Quartet Festival March 5 in the Interstake Center in Oakland. They competed with singers from Concord, Hayward, Napa, Oakland-Berkeley, Walnut Creek, San Leandro, and Santa Rosa Stakes, sponsors of the MIA event. Judges selected entries for stake festivals from ward competitions, and outstanding groups were subsequently invited to participate in the area festival.

Oakland 3d Ward

## 'Music Hath Charms' So Doth The Dance

By Mary D. Westover

Inspiration of the Temple dedication, happiness of the holiday season, and diligence in establishing routine work in the Temple seem to be replaced by the joy of developing our own and fostering others' talents. Stake-wide quartet contests showed us that group singing is not only fun, but helps us work with others in harmony (no pun) rather than as competitive soloists. We have all benefitted by special music in our Sacrament meetings.

Post-seasonal invitational basketball tournament between Concord, Hayward, San Jose and our own teams was so enjoyable that we hope to make it a yearly event. Next year we hope the Lanikila Ward from Hawaii can be with us, but they could not make it this year.

Scheduled dance festival in Stockton has required work of leaders as well as participants, but is such activity as we like to foster.

Spring Birthday party of the Relief Society made us aware of talents of these sisters, while helping others to lead fuller lives.

Our ward Newsletter requires talents of many to make it the success it is. Emphasis placed on the new ward library by the library committee has made us realize how rich we are in books.

Excellent talks from members of all ages in various groups help us all to grow.

Humdrum? Not at all! You just can't have so many worth-while projects without careful planning, active participation and cooperation, and plain hard work from the entire ward, each sharing his talents with the rest.

Put a big ring around May 29 on your calendar, for that's when we celebrate the 40th anniversary of which grew Oakland 3d Ward.

All members of the ward as well the old Dimond Branch, from as the former members of Dimond, and Oakland 3d Ward are invited. All former bishops are working to make it a real family reunion. Ren Hoopes is general chairman; Rufus Phelps wants all old pictures, clippings, and programs for the display and souvenir programs; Dee Smith is planning a dinner; Elmo Smith a program; and Herb Van Noy wants to spread the word to old members who have moved away and invite them, so that there won't be any stray sheep to feel left out.

All members of the Aaronic Priesthood (Youth), who got individual awards and the girls' MIA groups who earned their individual awards are celebrating with a theater party this year. Four boys, Aaron and Lester Johnson, Larry Matheson, and Brent Allen earned their Duty to God awards as well.

Thirty couples are regularly attending the class, under the direction of Patriarch Winter, whose aim is preparation for their personal endowments and sealing in the Temple. They meet during Sunday School time and are busy getting ready to complete their family sealings.

Many young people came home between college terms, including Phyllis Brennan, who will complete her work at the University of Mexico. She has been majoring in Spanish and feels this move will help her become more proficient in the language and traditions of the Spanish-speaking peoples.


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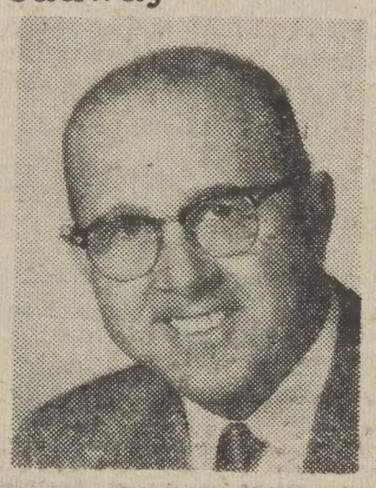

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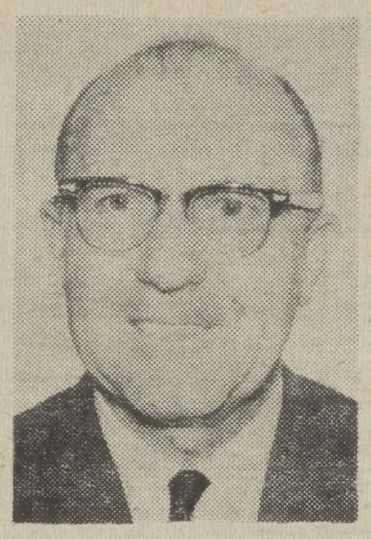
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WAYNE MORGAN, son of Brother and Sister Charles Morgan, is the first member of Newark Ward to receive the Duty to God award, here being presented by Bishop ROSS W. WESTOVER.

Wayne began attending MIA in Redwood City and earned his first individual award there; the other three were accomplished in Newark.

Wayne was president of his teachers' quorum and is active in the Explorer's Post in MIA. He is also a member of his high school tennis team.

Polynesian Ward of San Francisco has formed its entertainment committee, for the Polynesian Luau to be held May 24, with the theme: "LAND OF THE ALII'S." Members of the committee are l. to r.): HARRIETT SPALDING, ELLEN SELU, NORMA NAWAHINI. (rear) WHITNEY TE'O, AARON MAKAIWI, AL HERRINGTON, chairman WAYNE SELU, and IMA TE'O.

Tickets may be obtained from any other Polynesian Ward member. Remember the date: MAY 24, LUAU!

Bay Ward

## Cage Stars Win Three High Awards

By Beryl Mills

Three stake basketball awards were won by the Bay Ward basketball team during the season just ended. Bob Mason was named Most Valuable Player in San Francisco Stake and Norman Beyk received a sportsmanship award. The Bay Ward team, which won first place in the regular season, was selected the best sportsmanship team. The presentations were made by Stake YMMIA Superintendent William Kalehua at the March 14 Sacrament meeting.

Graduation exercises for seven members of the Adult Aaronic Priesthood class was the theme for the Feb. 28 Sacrament meetin. Each graduate, assigned a special topic on which to speak, contributed to an interesting program. Certificates were presented by High Councilman Floyd Emmett Beattie to Robert F. Smith, George Preisler, William Beebe and his fiancee Carol Alldredge, Judy and Charles Young, and Daniel B. Peterson. Music was by the guest choir from Mission Ward, directed by Sheila Townsley with Sonja Taylor accompanist. Brother Ronald Thurber is the Adult Aaronic Priesthood advisor.

Four new leaders in the MIA were recently sustained by the ward membership—Craig Leavitt, YMMIA dance director; Caroline Smith, YW age group counselor; Heidi Seibert, YW attendance secretary; and Freda Raub, Beehive leader.

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Pittsburg Ward

## Seven Straight Championships

By Boots Barrus & Thora Astle

Pittsburg Ward has done it again! For the seventh consecutive year the girls' junior volleyball team brought home the stake championship in playoffs held at the Pittsburg Community Gym March 13. Participating were Regina Harris, Pat Barrus, Evelyn Dutton, Frances Lowry, Nickie Graham, Cheryl Madrazo, Stella Fairchild, Joan Magleby and Lynda Street.

Next step is the division playoff at the Interstake Center, 4780 Lincoln Avenue, Oakland. Coach Elva Johnson reports that the senior team comprising Vera Campbell, Bobbie Neves, Ceciela Mecham, Millie Keenan, Modie Tiewater, Boots Barrus, Maxine Buccellato, and Naoma Harris are eligible to play in the divisional games as they were the only organized senior team in the stake.

## Mary Pearl Barker

Funeral services were conducted March 19 at Richmond for Sister Mary Pearl Barker, 81.

Sister Barker, who died in a Martinez hospital March 16, was a native of Fairview, Utah, and has been a member of Richmond Ward for four years. Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Lillie Larson of Los Altos, and five sons: Boyd Barker of Salt Lake City, Utah; Vaughn Barker of Menlo Park, Henry Barker of Saratoga, Harry Barker of Palo Alto, and Bert Barker of Richmond. There are 10 grand children and 11 great grandchildren.

Services were conducted under direction of Bishop Earl L. Amtoft. Speakers included Harold E. DeLaMare and James S. Adams. Invocation by Wallace Wightman and vocal music by Colleen Born, Marjean Ridge and Alaine Wightman. Roy Peasley offered the benediction. Interment was at Colma, California.

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